

County of San Diego

DPLU Update

November 2010

IMPORTANT DATES:

Dec. 8 Board of Supervisors: Continued General Plan Update Hearing

Dec. 8 Board of Supervisors: Zoning Ordinance Update

For more information and additional upcoming meetings, please visit the Calendar on the General Plan Update Web site.

Advance Planning News

General Plan Update

General Plan Update Board of Supervisors hearing continued to Dec. 8th

The Board of Supervisors began hearing the General Plan Update on Oct. 20, and continued the hearing to Nov. 10 to take additional testimony.

After the additional hearing on Nov. 10, the hearing was continued again for the remaining 65 individuals who have submitted speaker slips to give testimony on the General Plan Update. The continued hearing is scheduled for Dec. 8, 2010 at 9:00 am, 1600 Pacific Highway, San Diego, CA 92101.

All of the General Plan Update materials remain available on the General Plan Update website at:

http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/dplu/gpupdate/bos_oct2010.html, including the <u>Staff Presentation</u> given on Oct. 20.

Policy and Ordinance Development

Board of Supervisors Meeting - Zoning Ordinance Update: December 8th

Advanced Planning staff is preparing another general clean-up to the County Zoning Ordinance. Proposed amendments will include the addition of definitions, and minor revisions to various sections of the ordinance. This action also proposes to make minor changes to the County Regulatory Code related to Surface Mining Operations and the County Administrative Code related to Rules of Conduct and Procedure. On October 22 the Planning Commission recommended approval of the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendments. The Planning Commission's recommendation will be brought before the Board for their consideration on December 8. The draft ordinance can be viewed at the <u>Advance Planning website</u>. (Staff Contact: <u>Heather Steven</u>).

Community Evacuation Route Studies

DPLU is working with <u>Fehr & Peers</u> to prepare community evacuation route studies for the communities of Jamul/Dulzura and Valley Center. These studies are intended to identify potential community evacuation corridors that would increase road connectivity, improve local ingress and egress and enhance overall circulation in each community planning area. A stakeholder review committee was formed for each community and the first meetings were held October 21st to identify key areas of each community where road connectivity is lacking. Each stakeholder review committee is composed of representatives from the community planning group, the local fire district, Sheriff's Department, Department of Public Works Transportation and Land Development, Public Safety Group Fire Services, and DPLU Project Planning. In December, the project is being presented to each community planning group or planning group subcommittee.

- December 9: Valley Center Circulation and GP Update Subcommittees
- December 14: Jamul Dulzura Community Planning Group

(Staff Contact: Bob Citrano)

Board of Supervisors Approves Solar Energy Ordinance

On September 15 the Board of Supervisors approved the Solar Energy Ordinance. The Solar Energy Ordinance will codifies the Zoning Ordinance to ensure consistency with the County's current practices for permitting of solar energy systems as well as introduce new procedures for the permitting on small off-site use photovoltaic solar energy systems. The Solar Energy Ordinance went into effect on October 15. The public can view the Solar Energy Ordinance at the DPLU Advance Planning web site (Staff Contact: Marcus Lubich)

Board of Supervisors Approve Interim Wind Energy Ordinance

In addition to the Solar Energy Ordinance, Advance Planning staff has been working on comprehensive updates to the existing wind energy regulations. Additional environmental analysis will be required for the entire ordinance. However in the interim; staff brought forward minor changes to the small wind energy system portion of the existing Zoning Ordinance to allow for additional small wind turbine systems with an Administrative Permit. On September 15 the Board of Supervisors approved the Interim Wind Energy Ordinance. The Interim Wind Ordinance went into effect on October 15. The public can view the Interim Wind Energy Ordinance at the DPLU Advance Planning web site (Staff Contact: Carl Stiehl)

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